Remarks/Arguments

Applicant submits this Rule 1.312 Amendment upon the Examiner's request, to include Claim 20 which was withdrawn in the Response to the previous Office Action filed on April 28, 2004. In response to this Office Action, Applicant argued that Claim 20 should have been allowed because it was dependant upon Claim 14, which was allowed. The Examiner issued a Notice of Allowance (dated 05/21/2004) which included Claims 14-17 and 20-21. Applicant paid the Issue Fee on July 21, 2004. The Examiner issued a Corrected Notice of Allowance (dated 07/27/2004) and requested Applicant to submit a Rule 1.312 Amendment to include Claim 20. It is, therefore, respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendment is proper subject matter for this 1.312 Amendment. No new matter has been added.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 23-2426.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments concerning this paper or the present application in general, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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